Application No. 10/825,373
Reply to Office Action of October 17, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Claims 2, 14-15 and 18 have been allowed. The rejected Claims 3, 16, 17 and 19 have been cancelled. Applicants therefore believe that the present application is in a condition for allowance and respectfully solicit an early Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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